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Re: Application No. 09/954,801 Notice of Abandonment  
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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181**

I spoke with Examiner David M. Gray today about the Notice of Abandonment mailed 10/26/04. Previously, I left the Examiner a message indicating that I never received the last Office Action in the mail. He instructed me to file this petition.

I check my mail diligently and did not receive the previous Office Action, which should have arrived over the summer. I live in San Francisco, but spent much of the summer in Washington, D.C. for a job related emergency. My mail was retrieved and routed to me, but I did not receive any correspondence from the Patent Office. Therefore it was not possible to reply to the Office Action.

Please send me a copy of the Action so that I may respond.

Thank you

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